SUBJECT No. 208.

Opening of a Register showing where and how far new tanks may be constructed in the Chitaldrug District.

Messrs. Narayana Chetty and T. Shadaksharappa, Chitaldrug District Board.

Mr. Narayana Chetty.—The construction of the Marikanave Tank was completed many years ago at a cost of 60 or 70 lakhs of rupees and the present project of Kannambady Reservoir is expected to cost crores of rupees. After all, these big projects can be useful only to the particular districts in which they are situated and the remaining districts are starved for want of funds. The Kannambadi project, for instance, may benefit only 500 miles out of about 27,000 miles of the whole State's area. If all the available money is spent on one project like this, how are the other places to be benefited? In these circumstances, I think a survey of the whole State should be made and a definite programme of works to be undertaken in each district should be prepared. We are anxious to know what works are proposed to be started in Chitaldrug.

Secretary, Public Works Department.—We have got such a programme and are going on with the works as funds are available. We maintain a register of works to be undertaken and completed. Our programme contains many big projects at different places.

Mr. Narayana Chetty.—Our idea is that the money obtained from one district should be spent only in that district.

Second Member of Council.—This is impossible.

SUBJECT No. 209.

Filling up the ditch round the town of Chitaldrug.

Mr. Kalappa, Chitaldrug Municipality.

Mr. Kalappa.—The existence of the ditch round this town has made it very insanitary. It is very necessary to demolish the fort round the town and also to fill up the ditch. The Municipality is too poor to bear this cost and if we have to depend upon the Municipality to do this work, it may be many years before they can think of this, as the financial condition of the Municipality is such as not to permit of its undertaking this work.

Second Member of Council.—If an estimate is prepared and forwarded through the Municipality, this question will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 210.

Drainage scheme to Harihar Town.

Mr. Krishnappa Naik, Harihar Municipality.

Mr. Krishnappa Naik.—Some years have passed since the survey for the Drainage scheme of Harihar town was completed but no action has yet been taken. The town is growing malarial on account of the stagnation of water. We pray that action may be taken early in this connection.